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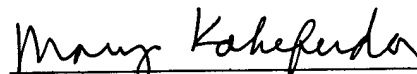
In response to the Restriction/Election Requirement dated May 6, 2003 requesting an election of one invention to prosecute in the above-referenced patent application, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the invention of Group II, claims 13-31, drawn to a method for detecting single nucleotide polymorphisms, classified in class 435, subclass 6. This election is made without traverse.

Applicants reserve their statutory right under §121 to prosecute the subject matter of the non-elected inventions in a timely-filed application.

Applicants believe no fee is required with this submission. However, if a fee is deemed necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, which may be required

under 37 CFR §1.17 to Deposit Account No. 50-1744 in the name of Syngenta Biotechnology, Inc.

Respectfully submitted,

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